

membership. Mr. Leland added that the action of these firms in dealing with the gang has in a measure prevented State detectives from running down the washers. Last night Detective Darcy and Schenck learned that young King had a furnished room at 372½ Pacific street, Brooklyn, although he gave them an address in Nevins street. The landlady let them into the boy's room late last night, where they conducted what they said is one of the washing outfits. It consisted of five blotters, a quantity of mullage, a bottle of Javelle water, a pot of glue, a bottle of muriatic acid, four ink erasers, a box of powder, forty stock transfer slips, on which were cancelled stamps of \$1, \$2 and \$5 denominations. The outfit was taken to Police Headquarters.

The police believe that each member has a cancellation outfit at his home. Even the perforated cancelled stamps were so neatly ironed out that an expert had to scrutinize them closely before detecting anything the matter.

This fact led Mr. Leland to suggest that the proposition be put to all the banking and brokerage houses in the city having a process of cancellation that would cut the stamps so that there would be absolutely no chance of their being used more than once.

He intends to confer with the officials of the Stock Exchange about this matter and, if possible, have them come to some decisive and speedy action in the matter.

For the misdemeanor with which the prisoners are charged the maximum penalty is not more than six months in the penitentiary or a fine of \$1,000. The first of them will be arraigned before Judge Magistrate May in the Tombs police court this morning when Assistant District Attorney McGuire, Mr. Leland, on behalf of the State Comptroller, and a representative of the Attorney-General's office, will be on hand to take part in the prosecution.

The police would not say last night what action, if any, they intended to take with reference to the girl who, it is said, supplied the mullage and glue. They did not say whether or not she was guilty of any violation of the statutes in so doing.

This is the first time that arrests have been made for washing of the stamps used on the stock transfer slips as required by the State law. After the start of the Spanish-American war, when the United States Government put a tax on every negotiable document, some young Brooklynites got to work washing the stamps used on checks and the like, and did a thriving business for several months.

The police got on to their game, however, and seized their washing outfit. The washing of the war tax stamps was not as profitable as that operated by the prisoners now looked up at Police Headquarters.

Lawrence, was bailed out by Edward Glimes of 64 Herbert street, Brooklyn, whose bond of \$500 was accepted by Sgt. Barrett.

Nobody connected with the case attempted to estimate approximately how much the State has lost since the stamp washers began their laundry operations, but Mr. Leland says that he believes that \$250,000 is a low estimate.

McSherry, said Assistant District Attorney McGuire last night, had an office at 64 Broad street, where he sold genuine and re-made revenue stamps under guise of running a general store of postage stamps for collections. Mr. McGuire said that McSherry bought \$2,000 worth of cancelled stamps for \$1 from office boys. He also said that many stamps were cancelled merely with a rubber hand stamp instead of being punched through as the law requires.

**GOMPERS APPEALS FOR MONEY.** Wants a Million or More to Wage Labor's War at the Polls.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—In his campaign this fall President Samuel Gompers, who will lead the forces of the American Federation of Labor, will fight the money power with its own weapons. He has issued an appeal to the thousands of locals and the millions of men who are identified with the Federation to subscribe to the campaign fund. He wants each local to chip in \$5 and each man to give at least \$1 for the good of the cause this year.

If President Gompers received a substantial reply from the thousands of addresses he would have a fund in excess of \$2,000,000, but he does not expect that such a large amount will be collected. He and his associates, however, expect to have a fund considerably larger than those of the Republican and Democratic Congress committees.

In his appeal for money to defeat Representative in Congress who have opposed measures designed for the relief or benefit of labor President Gompers points out that a successful battle cannot be waged unless the funds are forthcoming. He explains that a great deal of money will be needed for publicity work alone. The expenses of speakers and big rallies must be met.

The minute a candidate pledges himself to give special aid to the capitalist or to the labor organization, then class legislation steps in and the fight degenerates into one for advantage rather than one for justice.

"Gompers has said that organized labor has no affiliation with the Socialist party, but I notice the labor papers are taking issue with him."

**PANAMA'S DAIRY NEEDS.** Consul Kellogg Says Milk Is 20 Cents a Quart and Watered at That.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—American dairy and stock farms are needed in the Panama Canal zone, according to a report from Consul J. C. Kellogg to the Bureau of Manufactures. Milk is sold at 20 to 30 cents a quart, and is usually watered before it reaches the consumer, and poor as it is does not supply the demand. The average price of beef is from 20 to 25 cents a pound and the quality very poor. Cattle are protected by a tariff of \$10 a head on steers and \$5 on cows, the United States Government, however, being exempt in importing for canal purposes.

**CRUISE BANOCROFT RENAMED.** Transferred to Revenue Service, the Ship Is Known as the Itasca.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The cruiser Banocroft, which was recently transferred by the Navy Department to the Treasury Department for use as a cadet practice ship, for the revenue cutter service, is to be known hereafter as the Itasca. The name is taken from the lake at the headwaters of the Mississippi. In the future vessels of the revenue cutter service will not be named after secretaries of the Treasury.

Secretary Shaw Goes to Iowa to Speak.

## Higher Prices Prevail

Government statistics show that the cost of living was greater last year than at any time during the last sixteen years. In 1905 prices averaged nearly thirty per cent. higher than in 1897.

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## NAVIGATING RULES CHANGED.

Masters of Passenger Barges Will Now Be Required to Take Out Licenses.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—Several changes have been made in the rules governing the navigation of steam vessels, in accordance with recommendations made by the executive committee of the Board of Supervising Inspectors of the Steamboat Inspection Service. One of the most important requires masters of passenger barges to take out a license under the Federal laws. The use of the present fire extinguishing apparatus after adequate test has been approved, and permission is also given to masters of vessels not exceeding 300 gross tons to utilize a shoulder gun as a line carrying projectile in case of wreck instead of a cannon, as at present.

Section 9 of rule has been so amended as to authorize the issuance of licenses to officers of the Lighthouse Service. This was one of the requests of the Lighthouse Service, which desired to have its men possess certificates as is the case on all vessels other than those owned and operated by the Government. Such licenses will be valid only so long as those to whom they are issued remain in the Lighthouse Service. Complaint having been made of the delay at custom houses in the issuance of certificates to masters of vessels, requiring a layup for two or three days, and even longer in some cases, provision is made whereby the local inspectors may issue what are known as "temporary certificates." Vessels may be operated under such a certificate until permanent ones have been issued. These changes having been approved by the Secretary of Commerce and Labor they have force of law.

## WEEKLY CROP BULLETIN.

The Weather Conditions Seem to Be Favorable All Over the Country.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The weekly crop bulletin issued to-day by the Weather Bureau says:

"Except in the central Missouri valley, where the nights are rather cool, the temperature conditions in the districts east of the Rocky Mountains during the week ending July 23 were very favorable, being somewhat above the normal in the more northerly districts and below the normal in the central and west Gulf States and the Missouri valley.

Northeastern Missouri and parts of Iowa, Illinois, Indiana and the Dakotas need rain, although the weather is not so dry in those sections. The central western counties of Illinois, but elsewhere in the leading agricultural States there was ample moisture, having been poured from the central and western Gulf coast northward to the lower Lake region in the middle and South Atlantic States and in southwestern Missouri and central Kansas.

There was much cloudiness in the Atlantic coast and Gulf districts, the reports indicating general need of sunshine in the Gulf States.

Damaging local storms attended the heavy rainfall in the south Atlantic and east Gulf States, and hailstorms caused considerable damage in the central and western Gulf States. The general weather conditions on the Pacific Coast were favorable, although very high temperatures occurred in central and northern California, western Idaho and the eastern portions of Oregon and Washington.

## 8 HOUR LAW IN SHIPYARDS.

Navy Department to Get a Ruling on Work by Private Contractors.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The Navy Department expects within a few days to have a specific instance reported where contractors for battleships are working their laborers and mechanics more than eight hours a day. The department will then turn over to the Department of Justice for a new ruling upon the question whether contractors for battleships come within the purview of the eight-hour law.

Under a former decision of the Attorney-General it was decided that a battleship is not a public work while it is in process of construction. In view of the President's order, however, the Navy Department is desirous to get a new ruling upon the subject, and for this reason a case will shortly be reported to the Department.

## Movements of Naval Vessels.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—The monitor Florida has arrived at Newport, the collier Abernethy at Narragansett Bay, the collier Hannibal at Port Richmond, the cruiser Baltimore at Sydney, the gunboat Marietta at Puerto Rico, the gunboat Scorpion at San Juan, the gunboat Paducah at San Juan, the torpedo boat Delong at Solomons, the torpedo boat Thetis at San Juan, the cruiser Brooklyn has sailed from Boston for League Island; the tug Unadilla from Newport for New York; the torpedo boat Thetis from New York for San Juan; and the torpedo boat Wilkes and Stockton from Annapolis for Solomons.

## Army and Navy Orders.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—These army orders have been issued:

Capt. Ira L. Fredendall, Ames W. Kimball, George A. Nugent and Frederick W. Cole, Quartermasters, to the 1st Artillery, Artillery, from 121st Coast Artillery to Military Academy.

Second Lieut. Thomas S. Zellinger, Artillery, to the Military Academy.

These navy orders have been issued:

Rear Admiral W. T. Swinburn, from duty as member of the board of Army and Navy, to duty as commander in chief of Pacific squadron, with the Chicago as flagship.

Rear Admiral C. F. Goodrich, from command of Pacific squadron to home and wait orders.

Lieut. C. Goodrich and Lieut. L. B. Sargent, from the 1st Artillery, Artillery, to the Alabama.

Surgeon L. L. Von Westendorp, to the Alabama.

Assistant Surgeon M. H. Brown, to the navy yard, Washington.

Assistant Surgeon W. S. Hoen, to the navy yard, Puget Sound.

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ARBITRATION CONGRESS CHEERS HIS ADDRESS.

Aims at Separation of Questions of Facts and Honor in Disputes Between Nations—Also Gives Time for Calm Consideration of Question at Issue.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, July 24.—The Congress of the International Arbitration Union for the Promotion of International Arbitration held its second day's session to-day.

Herr von Plesner, former Austrian Minister of Commerce, announced that it had been decided to submit a resolution combining the amendment offered by William J. Bryan yesterday with the proposed model treaty of arbitration drawn up by the Brussels commission.

The resolution reads as follows:

"If a disagreement should arise between the contracting parties which is not to be submitted to arbitration they shall not resort to any act of hostility before separately or jointly inviting, as the cause may necessitate, the formation of an international commission of inquiry or mediation on the part of one or more friendly Powers. This requisition will take place, if necessary, according to article 8 of the Hague convention for the peaceful settlement of international disputes."

Mr. Bryan rose to speak on the resolution and was cordially cheered. He said that the resolution was on the lines of the memorable and epoch-making speech delivered yesterday by the Prime Minister. The resolution dealt with questions affecting the honor and integrity of a nation. The first advantage of the resolution was that it would secure an investigation of the facts and if the fact of the case was not in dispute the question of honor the dispute would settle both the question of fact and the question of honor. [Cheers.] A second advantage of the resolution was that it would give time for calm investigation. Great questions ought to be settled not by passion but by deliberation. A third advantage would be to give opportunity to mobilize public opinion for the settling of a peaceful settlement, and that was an advantage not to be overlooked. He considered the resolution a long step in the direction of peace.

"Public opinion," continued Mr. Bryan, "is going to be more and more a power in the world. One of the greatest statesmen my country has produced—if it were not modest so to call him, the greatest statesman the world has produced—Thomas Jefferson, once said that if he had to choose between a government without newspapers and newspapers without a government he had rather risk the newspapers without the government. You may call it an extravagant utterance, yet it presents an idea, and that idea is that public opinion is a controlling force."

"The glad time is coming when public opinion will be more and more a controlling force, when the moral sentiment of one nation will affect the decision of other nations, when the world will realize that war between two nations affects others besides themselves. The glad time is coming when the world will not stand idly by while two nations settle a difference without proposing that it shall be settled by peaceful means."

Pointing dramatically to a painting on the wall immediately opposite where he was standing, depicting the death of Nelson, Mr. Bryan exclaimed: "There is as much inspiration in a noble life as there is in an heroic death." [Loud cheers.]

Mr. Bryan concluded by saying that permanent peace could be established only upon a foundation of the brotherhood of man. [Cheers.]

The resolution was then put to the conference and was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Bryan's speech deeply moved the delegates. Some of them moved forward at the close of it and shook hands warmly with him.

It was announced that Japan had sent a delegate to the Congress.

The Treasury has granted \$5,000 toward the expenses of the conference.

LONDON, July 25.—Mr. Bryan's speech is the subject of general editorial comment in the London papers. The Times says it covered a wider range than any speech made by a man with practical knowledge to-day, but the force and fire of such a speech are not lost because they transcend the actual. It was well that the conference should set about its labors with such inspiring words ringing in its ears, and it is appropriate enough that those words should have fallen from an American speaker. The Times, however, thinks that for the general quality of powers Mr. Bryan's resolution is hardly to be regarded as anything but the counsel of perfection. It says:

"It might find a place in an agreement between two powers whose relations were intimate and cordial as those of ourselves and the United States or France to-day. Yet even in these cases there would be difficulty in including questions which touch the honor or vital interests of a nation. We must continue to feel that the answer road to the great and Mr. Bryan desires, as all do, may be rather prosaic and seemingly trivial agreements which can be extended to cover the ever widening network of problems to be submitted to arbitration."

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